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Need to curb 'unnecessary' B&B spending

BY CARL MUNGAZI

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HOMELESS families living in hotels and temporary accommodation has cost a council £1.1 million this financial year, it has been revealed.

Luton Borough Council said it wants to take out leases on three office blocks being converted into flats by developers in order to alleviate the housing shortage in the town.

The authority is anticipating a spend of £1.5 million on families in B&Bs by the end of this financial year

cial year.

Councillor Tom Shaw, in charge of housing at the authority, said leasing the flats would result in a 'big saving'.

A council document due to be discussed at a meeting tomorrow shows that as recently as mid-December last year, the number of homeless families in hotels stood at 103.

It says the authority is at risk of being penalised as families were 'forced' to stay in B&Bs longer than the government's prescribed six-week limit.

Councillor David Franks, lead-

er of the Liberal Democrats, said: "The bottom line is that it should not be necessary to put families in B&Bs.

"The newspapers are full of houses and flats to rent, so the question is why isn't the council putting them in these places?

"Maybe they aren't trying hard enough because there are pages and pages of houses to rent."

The council is now proposing leases are taken out on buildings in Alma Street, Grosvenor House and Cardiff Road to be turned into more than 150 flats.

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Cllr Shaw added: "Private developers have bought them and are going to turn them into residential flats so it's good news all around because it's bringing unused offices back into use and the people who have no place to stay will have one.

"There's also possibly a fourth building we might be able to use and we're currently talking to the developers. "For most families, there's

"For most families, there's absolutely nothing worse than being in a bed and breakfast. The flats will cost the council less than hiring hotel rooms.

"It will be a saving for the

council, it will be better for the families as they will be in a good standard of accommodation."

The number of families in temporary housing is an issue which has been subject to much debate.

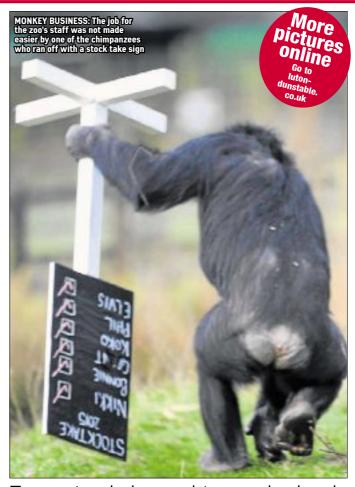
Last month homeless charity Shelter said high rents and housing benefit caps some times made it harder for councils to find places for families.

Lynda Rees, chief executive at Luton Community Housing Association, said many people are living 'closer to the margin financially', and that the benefits system 'could not cope'.

She added: "I don't know the

She added: "I don't know the answer, but there is something intrinsically wrong with a system where large numbers of people, who are willing and able to work, and who do work whenever the opportunity arises, are forced to rely on the benefits system. It's a national disgrace.

"I have the greatest sympathy with Luton Borough Council which is trying to deal with this issue, in a town where the housing need is so great and when its budget is under so much pressure."



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Authority probes claims made against Lealands

BY CARL MUNGAZI

ALLEGATIONS about a culture of bullying and intimidation at a school are being investigated, it has emerged.
Luton Borough Council said a

letter containing claims about events at Lealands High School had been referred to its monitoring officer by the school's chair of governors.

The letter was sent by a whistle-blower, who says they are a member of staff at school to: the council: Ofsted: various exam boards and unions; and politicians in the town. In it, they say they are 'very concerned about a number of issues at the school'.

The allegations allege bullying

and unfair dismissal of staff misuse of CCTV and school funds. and the way controlled assessments are administered. One of the teachers named in the letter. Tasha Sagree, 31, told Luton on Sunday that she had resigned from the school last year after being unhappy with the way she was treated when her father died in June 2013 and she asked for compassionate leave.

She said: "When my dad died I got in touch with the head but he did not get back for a week.

"I then sent another email and then he did not respond again.

"So I went to the doctor and told them, because I was stressed, and she gave me a sick note for three weeks. I got the note and then I had to go to Jamaica. And even while I was there, I still did work."
Upon her return, Ms Sagree said

the school held a disciplinary hearing in which they found she had not followed its policy. LoS has also spoken to another former teacher at Lealands, who asked to remain anonymous, who says they experienced discrimination during their time at the school.

In response to Ms Sagree's claims, a Lealands spokeswoman said: "It is not appropriate to discuss internal staffing matters in the media. The school has robust policies and procedures in place regarding leave requests."

A council statement said:

"Under the whistleblowing policy that applies to the school, the issues raised by an individual have been referred to the council's monitoring officer for the authority to consider if any appropriate action is required.
"Therefore it would be inappro-

priate to comment any further at this stage."

Report says that college has 'no key strengths

A COLLEGE has been branded 'inadequate' by Ofsted inspec-tors who said it had 'no key

strengths' in any areas.

Barnfield College in Luton
was slammed by Ofsted in a report published this week which gave it the lowest grade possible in all areas.

Inspectors found, among other things, that attendance, punctuality and behaviour at New Bedford Road college were 'poor' and that 'the significant majority of teaching, learning and assessment requires improvement, or is inade-

Following the publication of the report, Robert Somerville, the chairman of governors for the college, said: "The corpora-tion fully accepts all the find-ings of the Ofsted Inspectors. "This is an unacceptable fail-

ure by a significant majority of the previous management, governors and teaching staff."

newsbriefs

HOSPITAL MEETING A&E TARGETS

WITH hospitals across the country coming under fire due to A&E waiting times, Luton and Dunstable Hospital is exceeding expectations. The current target is for 95 per cent of patients who come into A&E to be seen within four hours. While the national average is well under, at 92.6 per cent, the worst in 10 years, L&D's figure sits at 98.5 per cent and has met the minimum target every month since it was introduced.

HAZEL BACKS CHARLIE HEBDO

COUNCIL leader Hazel Simmons has offered her backing to French newspaper Charlie Hebdo, which was attacked by terrorists earlier this week. Cllr Simmons said: "On behalf of all Lutonians I would like to offer my condolences to everyone affected by Wednesday's events in Paris, especially those who have lost loved ones."

Ferguson pastor shows solidarity with Luton

FOLLOWING March For Justice, the next step for the Luton 4 Justice group announced. has

A reverend, who was heavily involved in the Ferguson justice move-ment in America will appear in Luton for a talk

alongside the supporters of Leon Briggs and Faruk Ali. Reverend Osagyefo Sekou, who was on the ground in Ferguson for three months during the height of the protests after the shooting of Michael Brown, will be a member of a panel at the talk at Dallow Road Community Centre, Luton on January 24, from 1pm-3pm.

He is visiting the UK for a Ferguson solidarity tour.

It has been organised by groups inside the town, including all of those under the Luton 4 Justice banner, along with groups

from outside of Luton such as the London Black Revs and Defend The Right To Protest.

Liberty Louise, of Justice 4 Leon Briggs, said: "It's a great chance to raise awareness of all justice movements and make it international, bringing similar groups in the United Kingdom and the United States together."
The march is due to start

at 1pm this afternoon and will start at Nadeem Plaza and finish outside Luton

Police Station. Groups in attendance will include Luton organisation Justice 4 Leon, Justice4Mayah and Justice 4 Faruk, along with the Tottenham-based group Justice 4 Mark Duggan.

Speeches will be given by sey members of each group.

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Fare rise anger

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came in on Friday, January 2 saw a 2.5 per cent rise on 2014 ticket prices which now means a basic season ticket, excluding under-ground, will set London commuters who travel from Luton back £3,924.

Since Govia took over the Thameslink franchise from First Capital Connect (FCC) in September last year, commuters say the service has become poor and the all-too-regular delays are making the rail fare rise a very bit-ter pill to swallow.

A spokeswoman for Govia said: "The fares that most people pay – season tickets and walk up anytime tickets - are regulated by govern-ment and rose by a flat rate of 2.5 per cent on January 2 - the rate of inflation.

"Looking at all our tickets combined, fares will rise by an average of just 2.58 per cent.

"The increase is effectively a fares freeze."

To read a full letter of apology for the poor service recently turn to Letters on page 10.

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Swap your cans of food for cake



RISE TO THE OCCASION: Shelly Shulman came up with the initiative, which has got off to a good start and she imagines will grow in the coming months, when she saw how much food was wasted

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A CAKE shop is doing its bit to help the hungry but not in a way you might expect. Leighton Buzzard's Cakes

By Shelly is giving away cake which would otherwise be thrown away in exchange for donations of cans and other non-perish-able food which will be distributed to foodbanks.

The company, based in North Street in the town. makes a variety of cakes both specially made for events and for sale in the

shop. Shelly Shulman, 37, who lives in Gurney Court, Eaton Bray, and who owns and runs the company, said: "I had an idea of giving the cake to foodhanks instead of throwing it away but as it's perishable

food they can't accept it.
"So, I decided that we'd start accepting donations in exchange for the cake which would otherwise go to waste. "We

announce Facebook what cakes and flavours we have available each day and people can come along to the studio to collect some fresh cake in exchange for a small donation of tinned goods.

The food bank will bene fit from their donations and nothing gets wasted; it's a win-win situation

much non-perishable food as you want in the swap. Ms Shulman added: "We

Ms Shulman added: started this just before

started this just before Christmas and we have got a good response so far. "It's coming up to wedding season soon so there's going to be a lot more spare cake going and we hope we will be able to give away even more, while collecting for food banks as

"We are running this in partnership with Trinity Methodist Church, who are based next door, to who we give any donations we receive and they then distribute them to foodbanks around the area



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Council rakes in £116k from fines

BY CARL MUNGAZI

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MORE than £116,000 in parking fines has been generated by a single street in Luton, figures have revealed.

Motorists who parked illegally in Leagrave Road (pictured above) were fined a total of £116,971 during April 2013-March 2014, a Freedom of Information request to Luton council has shown.

Chapel Street, which raked in £107,489 between April 2012-March 2013 was second this time round with £82,145. It was followed by George Street which had a haul of £64,259.

Luton council said the high amount of fines was due to CCTV enforcement brought in to the area as a result of complaints by businesses and residents.
Councillor Dave Taylor, who

is in charge of transport at Luton council, said the cameras had improved park-

ing in the area.
He said: "We got complaints from businesses in the area that parking was just becoming out of control and we decided that it was a hotspot, so we put cameras there.

"Since we have done that it has improved. "Chapel Street

was a trouble area for parking and there was also a service area that was being blocked in.
"The cameras

were effective because the is when people the problem the parking they drive away. and then return when they have gone.

"Once people know that there is enforcement in the area, then it tends to get better?

A council spokeswoman said: "Parking restrictions are in place for safety reasons and to ensure free flow of traffic on Luton's road. We have no hesitation in taking action against inconsiderate drivers who park illegally.

"Following a number of complaints about congestion

and illegal parking in Leagrave Road, CCTV enforcement has been implemented to more effectively enforce parking restrictions in the area. Signs warn drivers about enforce-

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Mum not guilty of £100k work theft



NOT GUILTY: Mrs Allen cried in relief when the verdict was read in Luton Crown Court

BY JULIA SUTTON

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A FINANCE manager broke down into tears in court after she was found not guilty of stealing £100,000 from her boss, with whom she had an affair.

Theresa Allen, 43, was cleared at Luton Crown Court on Thursday of stealing the huge sum from his company.

She said she had an 18-month intimate relationship with boss Nicholas Hing, 51, in which they had sex 30 times at various locations, including his home, hotels and after hours at the factory of Swift Metal Fabrications in Houghton Regis, Bedfordshire.

The relationship lasted between September 2011 and Christmas 2012, by which point Mrs Allen said she had wanted to make a go of her marriage'. When defence barris-

ter Narita Bahra asked

who made the first move, she replied: 'Nick did. I tried to put him off because I was married.

"I was having trouble with my husband we are arguing lots."

Prosecutor Ann Evans asked her: "Did he say help yourself to Swift Metal Fabrications' bank accounts when you were lying in bed with him?"

She replied: "He said he liked me to look after

myself."
The mother-of-three said Mr Hing knew she was claiming a second salary, overtime and expenses amounting to the £100,638.82p over the tour year the company.

The result of the tour states of the tour years of the t the four years she was at

Divorced Mr Hing, who was in a relationship with another woman at the time, told Luton Crown Court he only had sex with her four or five times and said he never agreed to pay her more than £412 a week wages

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Help with transport service is welcomed

BY CARL MUNGAZI

A CHARITY providing transport for elderly and disabled residents said it would welcome more partner organisations to help improve its service.

Age Concern, based in King Street, Luton, took over from organising the transport service after Dial-A-Ride pulled out in 2013 following cuts to its council funding. Dial-A-Ride returned to the town last year

after it won several contracts elsewhere, but Age Concern has now taken its previous role following talks with Luton council.

Colette McKeaveney (*pictured*), the charity's director, said her staff worked with the council's interim service to assess passengers' needs, including checks to ensure they were receiving the right benefits.

She said: "We use a mixture of volunteer

drivers as well as booking transport through taxis and other organisations, but we are trying to draw other people in because it's all



about working with partners. We assess them individually to find out what the best option is for them. The maximum charge for a journey to anywhere in Luton is £6.
"We are probably serving about 300 people a

week, so it's quite a lot."

OAP's death caused by 'asbestos cancer'

A PENSIONER who spent his entire life building and maintaining power stations has died from breathing in asbestos spores, an inquest heard on Wednesday

Gerald Dounting, 83, of Chiltern Road, Barton-Le-Clay, came into

contact with the deadly material while working in the turbine and boiler houses next to laggers who were using it in various forms.

He worked at several stations including Battersea plant in South London, before retiring in 2002.

Mr Dounting died in hospital on December 4 from terminal stage four mesothelioma which is invariably caused by exposure to asbestos. It was ruled Mr Dounting died from 'a workrelated industrial disease'.



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Larry Heyman

Integration & Partnership Manager, Thameslink

Cyclists' death wish

I HAVE a lot of respect for people who ride bicycles, especially on Luton's roads. They are either very brave. Or very stupid. I wouldn't ride a bike on Luton's roads, even if you paid me. The roads are just too dangerous.

It's not the drivers who are at fault. There are too many cars using Luton's roads. Personally, I only feel safe in my metal cage, with my seatbelt on, surrounded by several air bags.

Even then, I say a little prayer before I select first gear.

If you ride a bicycle on Luton's roads you must have a death wish.

Bracklesham Gardens

Best foot forward

I WAS very interested in your article in the leisure section over Christmas entitled 'Bedfordshire on Foot'.

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Ron Burgess Bedford Rambling Club President

Victorian view 'a concern'

I READ with some concerr a letter in your latest edition of *Luton on Sunday* Letters, 4.1.15, entitled 'Unemployed just bone

In the first instance I was shocked and latterly I thought, what really has changed since Victorian times. There is a section of the community that has chosen to ignore reality and perhaps always has. Traditionally they were described as the 'idle rich' and their followers.

However the facts as presented by various government departments and supported by the media make it quite clear that youth unemployment has risen to record levels, levels never reached in recordable history.

It is true that the government is quoting a reduction in unemployment including youth unemployment but still it remains far above acceptable levels. It is also true that there are some people that will never want to work, but children are not 'born idle' as the letter

suggests.
I have a neighbour whose son unfortunately found himself unemployed, he applied for hundreds of jobs and hardly got an interview.
He finally moved

He finally moved to Liverpool where he has been successful. That's a true story and

not a figment of someone's twisted imagination. As for the criticism of Kelvin Hopkins MP. Kelvin is much admired by politicians on both sides of the political divide. Admired for his honest analysis and

forthright views. In wider circles he is noted as being a highly respected economist.

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'We are not rattled by rodent sightings'

BY CARL MUNGAZI

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A COUNCIL has hit back at suggestions the town still has a rat problem following fresh images of rodents taken in the town centre.

A spokesman for the authority said it had seen requests for its free domestic rat treatment service decrease by 10 per cent since 2013 and was working to provide a 'longer term solution' for the issue.

The rats were spotted in Library Road, an area where the rodents were also found last year amid some high profile coverage of the

town in a national newspaper. Luton council said it was not 'unusual for rats to be found in a busy area with lots of food premises nearby' and said businesses and individuals had a 'duty' to look after the waste they produced.

The council spokesman said: "There is no evidence to suggest the population is any greater in Luton than in other towns and cities across the country and the council continues to provide an in-house pest control team that carries out proactive and covert baiting in areas that rats are attracted







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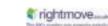
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BY NICK SMITH

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AN appeal has been launched to help reunite a dog with its owner who has until Tuesday to respond before it is adopted.

Vicki Matterson, of Parys

Vicki Matterson, of Parys Road, Luton, who found the pooch running along the A6 near Clophill last Saturday.

She has said she will adopt the dog if nobody comes forward.

She added: "I was driving along the A6 towards Clophill on my way to Cambridge.

on my way to Cambridge.
"I saw her running up and
down and across the road
and she was almost hit by a
car and a lorry.
"She was soaked and scared

"She was soaked and scared when I found her and it's lucky she wasn't hit by a car."

When she was found she had a collar and a lead on but the handle of the lead had broken off.

The canine has been described as beige and white with brown spots.
It is believed to be an Akita

It is believed to be an Akita cross and aged around oneyear-old.

Ms Matterson said: "She's



LOOSE: The dog found on the A6

so young and still very playful, when you want to stop she just doesn't.

she just doesn't.

"She's already a big dog but being only one she's got a bit more growing left to do."

Ms Matterson took the dog

Ms Matterson took the dog to a vet in March, near Cambridge, but as she was found near Clophill she had to be dealt with in that area.

Ms Matterson added: "The vet reckons she may have been tied up outside and

escaped from a garden. She's still very nervous around new situations and even going into rooms she doesn't know."

The dog is currently being kept in an animal shelter in Baldock where she will be put up for adoption on Tuesday, a week after she first arrived there

Ms Matterson, who owns six dogs already, said: "Whatever happens she won't be put down at the end of the seven days as is usually the case because I have offered to take her in if her owners don't come forward.

"I'm not going to give up looking for her owners and hope they come forward but taking another dog in won't phase me whatsoever if they haven't come forward by Tuesday.

"She's got a great personality and has definitely been well looked after.

well looked after.
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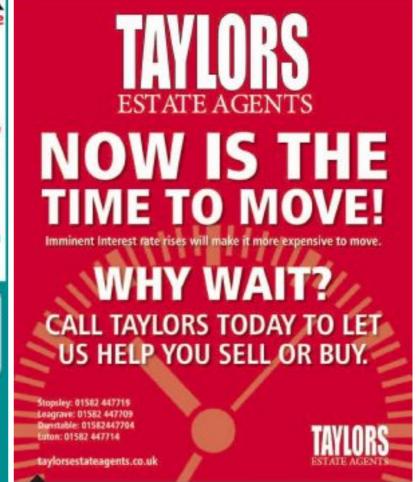
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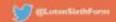
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Fraudster forced to pay back £67k

BY JULIA SUTTON

A TRUSTED employee who fleeced a family-run build-ing business out of more than £117,000 has six months to pay back £67,000, or face jail time. Karen Waller, 55, of Alpine

Way, Luton, was jailed for two years last February after admitting four charges of fraud and one of theft. She duplicated her weekly

wages, charged overtime for

work she had not done, used a company credit card for personal use and diverted money into her own account.

She was confronted about this in a management meet-

ing and signed a confession.
Waller, who has been released early from her sentence, appeared in the dock again on Friday, December 2 along with her husband Stuart, 50, after admitting contempt of court by delaying providing details

Will Noble, prosecuting, said that although Waller had admitted taking £117,540, it was agreed that she had ben-

efited to the tune of £138,568. Tim Clark, defending, said that £33,000 could be handed over immediately. He asked for six months for the rest of the money to be paid. He said Waller and her husband had been guilty of the contempt of court by 'omission'.

Judge Michael Kay QC passed a three month suspended sentence against the couple.



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Proposed admission arrangements for community schools

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Proposed admission arrangements for other schools and academies Copies of consultation documents can be viewed on the Council's website at www.luton.gov.uk/admissions. If you wish to comment on the proposed admission arrangements, please contact the school or academy directly.

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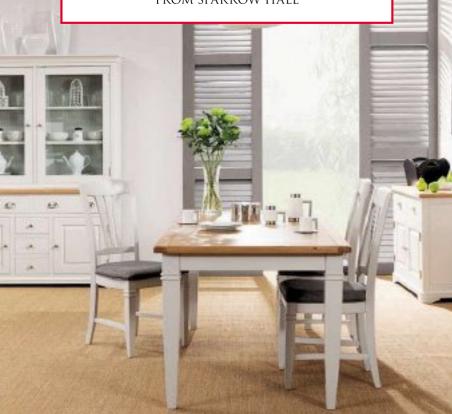
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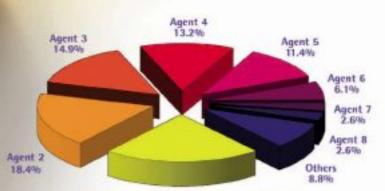
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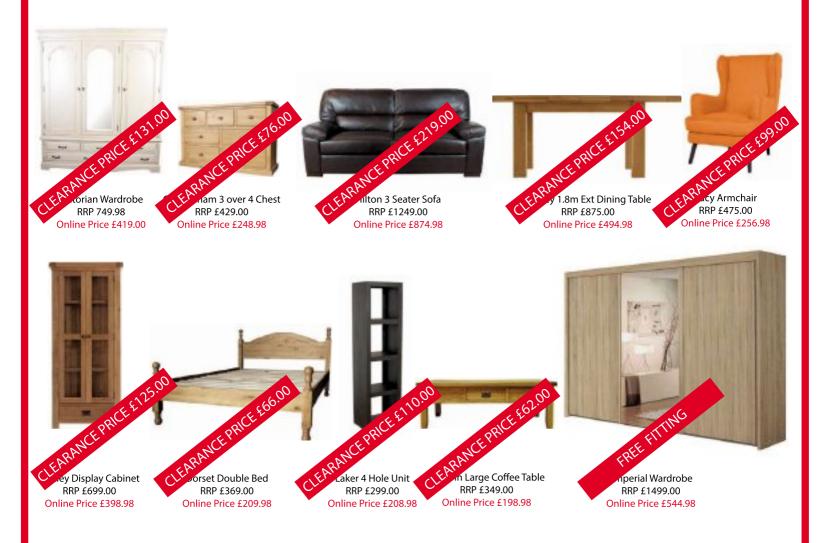
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BY PHOEBE-IDA RANDLESOME

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AND so: along comes another new year. And with it, another string of New Year resolutions?

Let me guess, number one on the list is 'A new me!' Am I right? Have you vowed to pick up a new hobby, improve fitness and get rid of extra pounds that, mysteriously, you've somehow piled on over Christmas?

How about if you could do all three and gain a new perspective on 'working out? What about this: you ditch the dumbbells and hang

from the ceiling in a hoop?
If you're immediate reaction is: 'I didn't realise it was
April Lalready', bear me out

April 1 already', hear me out. This, according to Matthew Ryan Day (pictured), head coach at Aerial Arts Luton, is a new idea for a fun, fashionable way to get fit.

Now, what former job do you think you might find listed on Matthew's CV?

Yep, trapeze artist. Ah-ha! Now it all starts to make sense

Matthew and his assistant, Laura Simpson, both professionally trained coaches, run a range of acrobatic fitness classes with aerial hoop workouts which, they



claim, can burn up to 750 calories per session. Classes for adults and chil-

Classes for adults and children, on the ground or in the air, are mixed ability but Matthew also holds one-to-one sessions for those looking for extra training or help in perfecting the art of the hoop.

"Aerial hooping is brilliant," says Matthew (but then he would, wouldn't he?) "It's great fun, improving cardio and flexibility whilst toning in a warm and friendly atmosphere." Matthew and Laura make aerial hooping look elegantly effortless. Then I was invited to have a go

to have a go. . .
Now I like a challenge. And I'd like to look just as elegant as they do while hanging upside down from a dangling hoon.

dangling hoop.
If there was even a chance
I was determined to give it a
try. I'm a regular gym-goer
so I'm used to feeling sweaty
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aboard the hoop and then guided me every step of the way, manoeuvring each arm, leg and foot into the right place to work muscles that wouldn't normally get the exercise.

I may not get a job as a trapeze artist any time soon but, at the end of the session, I left with a sense of achievement - and yes, feeling rather elegant as it

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By Sam Potter

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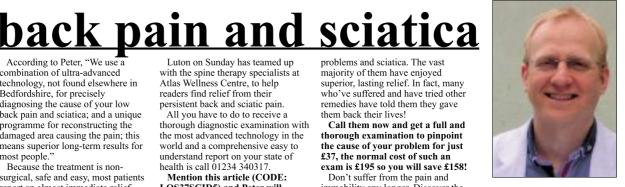
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he role of a paramedic is prestigious and incredibly rewarding. You have the opportunity to use your skills and talents to really make a difference in the local community. If you like variety, work well under pressure and want to work in medical care, it could be the career for you" says Paramedic Science Course Co-ordinator, Mark Cutler, who tells us how he entered into the profession himself and what advice he would give to budding paramedics.

"Initially I considered a career in medicine then as I began researching into a range of healthcare career options I discovered Paramedic Science. I realised the demands placed on the paramedic and the range of work involved in pre-hospital care. Being able to work both in and out of the hospital environment really appealed to me, along with the opportunity to make clinical decisions based on personal knowledge and experience.

I decided to join a voluntary aid agency to gain experience which only affirmed my decision to pursue a career in the ambulance service. As the old style training required you to join at a lower tier and work your way up I had to wait until I was 21 to join; a requirement for driving an ambulance. I then worked through the ambulance service education system up to the role of paramedic practitioner."

Cutler explains that "the ambulance service is very busy and you will be expected to be on the go for your entire shift. This mixed with long working hours can be trying, but I had done my research, was ready for the challenge and threw myself into the role.

People often ask me to describe a typical day on the job, but there is no such thing as a typical week or day as a paramedic. Incidents can range from supporting the elderly with social care problems to dealing with a serious road traffic collision, involving multiple patients. No two days are ever the same, which is exciting.

"Beyond the fast pace and hard work the job can be immensely rewarding," he says. "The most fulfilling part of the job is being able to make clear clinical decisions for patients that produce positive outcomes. I remember vividly the first time that I delivered a baby. After a flurry of movement and activity there was a tense moment, worry hanging in the air, waiting for that point when the baby cried out for the first time. It was such a happy moment that I was able to share with the family. I'll never forcet it."

Speaking about the BSc (Hons) Paramedic Science course at the University of Bedfordshire he says "we are pushing the boundaries of typical paramedic practice and aligning study and training with the work of the ambulance service so that our students graduate fully prepared. The landscape of paramedic practice is evolving, with hospital overcrowding and greater demands being placed on paramedics, it is important to be equipped with all the knowledge and skills required to provide patients with the highest quality of care.

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This is a unique and challenging vocation with many avenues to try upon registration. It is hard work and requires a lot of commitment but, in turn, the education and opportunities offered upon completion provide immense job satisfaction."

Cutler is currently undertaking research into examining patient presentation and management within event medicine in partnership with Wembley Stadium. He is about to enter the final year of this three year project.

Study March 2015

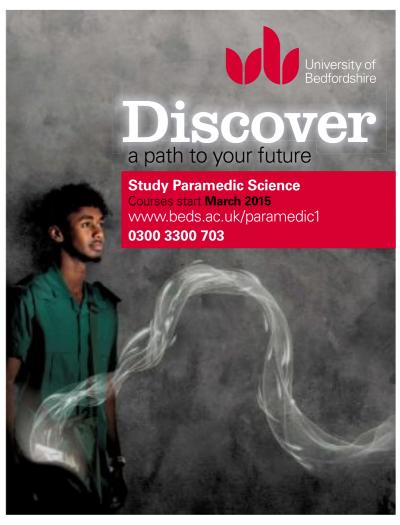
The University of Bedfordshire have recently launched their brand new Paramedic Science BSc (Hons) course. The course was designed with the East of England Ambulance Trust (EEAST) in partnership with Health Education East of England. EEAST serves around 6 million people over 7,500 square miles. Approved by the Health and Care Professions Council (HPCP) it ensures students are eligible to register and work as a paramedic as soon as they graduate.

The innovative course is driven by practise-based learning; with 50% of the course dedicated to supervised and supported practice within EEAST, students get the chance to experience the full 24-hour working pattern.

The tutors at the University of Bedfordshire have extensive professional experience, providing their students with all the tools needed to develop their clinical reasoning and critical thinking. The guidance and support on offer allows students the opportunity to gain the knowledge, confidence and leadership skills to become the best in the field.

"...the education and opportunities offered upon completion provide immense job satisfaction."





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From January, most of our distribution will remain door to door, but in certain areas we will be replacing some copies with free pick up at local supermarkets, including Tesco, Sainsbury's, Asda, Co-op, Morrisons and non-traditional outlets. This will enable people to pick up a copy at their convenience and has already proved a very popular method of getting our newspapers to the community in other areas. Quite rightly it has been pointed out that the historic door to door distribution can result in

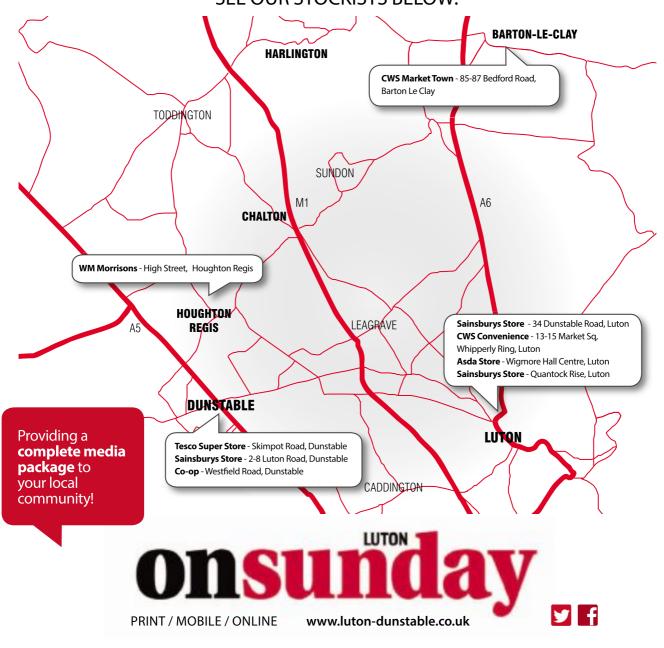
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Tim's full

interview

THEATRE

JERSEY BOYS/THE FULL MONTY

Milton Keynes Theatre February 3-14/January 19-24

IT'S something of a standing joke that it's impossible to name five famous Belgians

Actually it's a lot easier than you might think especially if you include people who just happen to have been born there, such as Bradley Wiggins, and fictional heroes such as Hercule Poirot.

TIM DRIESEN (right) is a bona fide, real live Belgian who was

born in Antwerp but has spent the last 15 years based in the UK. And he's well on the way to becoming famous.

Like most people who come from small, enlightened countries in Europe, he speaks perfect English.

Unlike most of them, he singing voice with a range of four octaves; which happens to be exactly one of the requirements for playing the role of Frankie Valli in the hit musical, Jersey Boys, which is coming to MK Theatre in February. Back in the pre-

Beatles early 60s, Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons were one of the first ever boy bands. They hailed from the wrong side of the New

Tim Driesen says: "Jersey

Boys has been a runaway success. It's truly a

rags to riches story.
"From that part of New York at that time, the only way out was to go into the army,

the Mafia or become a star.

"It took the Four Seasons ten years to ge" their first hit. It's not hard to get one hit but to get so many is extraordinary. It's just amazing how many hits there are in the back catalogue. But it's the script writing too,"

says Tim. "The story has a real feel to it.

"The biggest accolade you can have is that women will come and see the show and drag along their husbands and boyfriends and then three weeks later the guys'll be back with their mates to watch the show

"The thing about Jersey Boys is that no-one knew it was going to be a big

"After seven years it's still running all over the world Though he didn't

come from a s h o w b i z family.

young age Tim was performing shows in his back garden.



its to date include Never Forget, based on the music of Take That (Tim took on the Mark Owen role) and Rock of Ages. Tim says he is 'absolutely the actor to go to

when what you need is a boy band performer. I always wanted to be in a boy band. I love 'em, I love bringing pop music into the theatre'.

But this is the most demanding role he's ever played and it's the biggest male part in musi-

played and it's the biggest male part in musical theatre.

"I think I'm offstage in the second act for all of one and a half minutes," Tim says.

"But then this show, with the story and the music, has got everything you could want. So who wouldn't enjoy it, being onstage with three or four of your mates!"

MEN AT WORK: Six unemployed steelworkers strip away the indignity of having to sign on the dole

THREE or four mates? How about five or six?

Post-panto (oh yes, at last it blooming well is) the spring season at MK Theatre kicks off with the arrival of six unemployed Sheffield steel-workers. Not that they're idle for long.

Like a sextet of chips off the old Chippendale block, they practise discarding their clothes along with their inhibitions in a bid to regain their independence and a living wage

Simon Beaufoy has successfully adapted The Full Monty, his own hit screenplay, for the stage. And while the show has gained the reputation of being a bit of a girls' night out party, the play still packs a powerful punch of emo-tion that makes it well worth seeing.

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Are you sitting comfortably? Then Martin Jarvis will begin

WHAT'S ON

MUSIC ON MONDAYS: MARTIN JARVIS

Luton Library Theatre

CAR journeys were never so good as when my kids were small. Any outbreak of squabbling, yelling, fight-

ing and wailing was instantly sup pressed when the tape of Martin Jarvis reading any of the Just William stories Just William was switched on. Jarvis' perfect rendition

of the scrapes that Richmal Crompton's Richmal Crompton's scruffy rascal got into achieved, within seconds peace and harmony through rapt attention.

Now, the successful film and television actor who cleverly re-invented himself as William Brown's go-to literary interpreter, is revisiting some of the Outlaws' adventures but this time, live on stage. And there'll be music too, composed and performed by Richard Sisson at the

Grown-ups can settle down for the storytime session which also fea-tures the treat of a P G Wodehouse Jeeves and Wooster short story as well as new musical settings of his poetry per-formed by the actor and comic baritone, Simon Butteriss

This event comes part way through Luton Music Club's Music on Mondays concert series. Next year, the club will celebrate its 60th anniversary so expect a bit of a party but the programme at any stage of its history has been nothing if not diverse.

Before Martin pitches up in town there are two other events. This afternoon, at the Princess Helena College in Preston near Hitchin, the young and talented Gildas Quartet will perform music by Hayden, Mozart and Grieg as well as two shot pieces by students of the college. On Monday, January

19, jazz singer and pianist Ian Shaw will be inviting some of Luton's most talented young jazz musicians to join him on the platform at Luton Sixth Form College. For more information about Luton Music Club and details of the

wusic on Monda go to: lutonmusic.org.uk JUDY RILEY Music on Mondays concerts



JUST MARTIN?: No - a singer and a pianist too!

THE world's cuddliest asylum seeker gets his own day in court - or rather in the library - next Saturday at the Leagrave and Marsh Farm branches

School aged children and their families can settle down to listen to stories of Paddington Bear and enjoy Paddington's favourite treat; marmalade sandwiches!

Both the stories and snacks are free. Visit

lutonculture.com for more information.

Factory is raising the bar on comedy circuit

COMEDY

COMEDY BAR

Hat Factory

WE may only just be get-ting into the new year but the Hat Factory's not wasting any time in trying

to make us smile. Starting from January 16 the venue will be hosting a brand new open mic comedy night every third Friday of the month.

Last year, the Hat Factory hosted performers such as Spanish comedienne Sonia Aste. Cardiffbased Chris Chopping and Swedish funny man Olaf Falafal.

So come along, bring your friends and have a giggle at the outpourings of the country's up and coming talent.

Tickets cost £3 but for that price you get two hours of chuckles and the chance to see the stars of the future before they release their ghost written biography and grin at you from every DVD aisle in the months before Christmas.

For ages 16+ only.

Museum plays host to grooves and melodies

MUSIC

MUSIC IN THE MUSEUM

Wardown Park Museum

WHAT happens when you take the picturesque Wardown Park Museum and a different bunch of musicians every month?

Well, come to Music in the Museum next week to find

Mantrata, a Luton-based band formed last year is the first act lined up. The group are an eclectic fusion band formed by bass player Tim Powell who writes all the compositions.

Mantrata is inspired by the ethnic musics of the Eastern Mediterranean, the Near East and Africa as well as modal jazz pioneers such as John Coltrane.

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The HAT Factory? Geddit? OK, that was a pretty obvious one but there are lots of other buildings in Luton that, in a former life, were connected to the millinery industry.
The regular Afternoon of Discovery

sessions that take place in the Wenlock Room at Stockwood Discovery Centre take a look at some of Luton's most interesting history through film footage, photos and museum artefacts.

On Friday from 2pm to 3.30pm Buildings of the Hat Industry is the subject under investigation. Tickets are £7, concessions £5

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Saturday Selection is a regular fixture on the Wardown Park Museum calendar from now until February 21.

Visitors are invited to get up close and hands on with a range of weird and wonderful objects, many of which have never been on display before, from the museum's collections. There are two free drop-in sessions this Saturday, January 17, between 11am and 1pm and 2pm and 4pm.

Go to: lutonculture.com/wardown-park-museum or call 01582 546722 for more details



All star cast fail to deliver

FILM REVIEW

Showing at Luton Cineworld Running time: Two hours 22 mins

RIDLEY Scott directs this story of Moses who takes on the might of the Egyptian empire to lead 600,000

slaves on a journey to freedom. However, Exodus: Gods and Kings is full of historical innacuracies and also has to contend with smothering CGI and clunky writing.
The sheer amount of unnecessary

special effects completely over shadow any hope of a strong emotional story and relatable characters.

The ever-commanding Christian Bale makes a promising start as

Moses, the adopted brother of Ramses, before he's cast out of Egypt. Nine years later a visit from God reveals Moses is the saviour of his

people and he returns to Egypt with

a series of plagues.
While Bale puts on a strong performance and has a particularly great scene with Hebrew elder Ben Kingsley, the talents of Sigourney Weaver, Aaron Paul and John Turturro are sadly wasted.

You expect more from the star-studded line-up, but the insistence on loads of CGI leaves the cast little room to breathe, let alone act.

The broken relationship between Moses and Ramses should be the core of the film, but other than battle scenes and brooding jealously the two rarely have screen time together.

While the writers dangle tantalising plot ideas they're soon snatched away as we're overwhelmed by excessive visuals that fail to impress.

Every action scene is too heavyhanded for its own good resulting in a film more like a war epic than a Biblical re-telling.

The sheer amount of visuals is

enough to give you a migraine.

The 10 plagues are rushed through so quickly it'll make your head spin and rather than being the pivotal moments they should be, are little more than hectic scatterings.

If you're hoping for an action packed and emotionally charged story you'll be disappointed as the whole affair simply fails to deliver. Rachael West

Pubs have a night of rock well covered

IN the mood for some classic rock this coming weekend? Well, you're spoilt for choice with two shows on Saturday.

The Wheatsheaf in Dunstable hosts five-piece cover band The Lash, who play an array of rock tunes from Thin Lizzy to the Foo Fighters.

They can also throw a curveball into the mix with one of their revamped, rocked up pop covers.

The same evening three-piece cover group Banned grace the stage at The Kings Arms in Houghton

Banned cover all bases. playing covers ranging from the 60s to 00s.

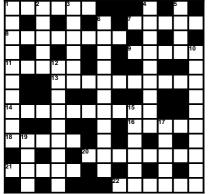
Expect to hear songs ranging from the blues rock sounds of T-Rex to Muse and everthing rock in between.

They class their main diet as being from the 60s and 70s, but don't be surprised to hear lead singer Tobias change the tone with some Jessie J or Mika.

There is something for everyone at either of these gigs and what's more, they're both free entry.

Both gigs start at 9pm.

PUZZLE CORNER



THINKER THE

ACROSS
1 The girl on the piano (6)
7 Deterioration of Ecuador in twenty-four hours (5)
8 Have Paul come round to sort out disruption (8)
9 Use money for special purpose (5)
11 Tend to hurry back to the south-east (5)
13 Traveller, or a tourist, can't be trusted (10)
14 At inappropriate time I'd clap, looking guilty (10)
16 In favour of church army (5)
18 It's a hit with jumpire saution It's in (5)

18 It's a hit, with umpire saying it's in (5) 20 Lean gent told to get knotted (8) 21 Entrance stone (5)

22 Loped away to unknown position (6)

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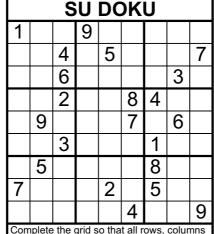
1 Day in France when Stalin destroyed newsman (10)
2 Can't stand with a tedious type, we're told (5)
3 Pruning tree, an improved result (6)
4 Villain's dead, strangled with ropes (9)

5 Tell of danger, starting with a red notice (4) 6 Pact with Gavin, it can be charming (11) 10 Tactfully broadcast in separate parts (10)

12 Draw a jaded partner (9)

15 Obliterate evidence from thief faced with exposure (6) 17 Serve up a beer fit for a king (5) 19 Big force, in colour (4)

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK ACROSS: 1. Tumble 4. Upshot 9. Retrace 10. Evade 11. Yarn 12. Isolated 14. Puddle 15. Oddity 18. Decimate 20. Spat 23. Omits 24. Lapwing 25. Kneads 26. Crater DOWN: 1. Tarry 2. Matured 3. Liar 5. Preclude 6. Heart 7. Tuesday 8. Messy 13. Glimpsed 14. Padlock 16. Imprint 17. Stalk 19. Crime 21. Tiger 22. Spur



Complete the grid so that all rows, columns and 3x3 boxes contain the numbers 1 to 9. Solution next week

Solutions

FIND THE WORDS H S P O M T E T A B A W Т G G R Ε R С Α Α R R Т Κ Ν R Ν D Α G Α D Т R С В В 0 Ρ Т W L R В L O W В Ν Α Ν 0 R R U L C Н Α R Е 0 Е С ٧ R M V A М Ν 0 ΤR UPE R T A T O O D E A R A H C

Find the words: Up, down, forwards, backwards straight or diagonal. This week: Entertainment: Theatre, Cinema, Karaoke, Revue, Party, Concert, Opera, Charade, Show, Magic, Music, Play, Tattoo, Panto, Cabaret, Gala, Carnival, Display, Dance



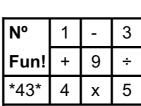
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SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK ACROSS: 1. Canvasser 6. Fanaticism 7. Wither 10. Python 13. Ostensible 14. Scrambled 2. Neath 3. Aviary 4. Switch DOW: 1. Coati 2. Neath 3. Aviary 4. Switch 5. Remain 7. Whoops 8. Titter 9. Eponym 11. Twirl 12. Oiled

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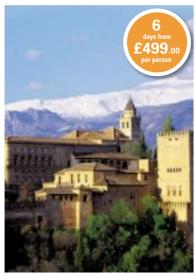


Use all the numbers and signs to make the star total. Do calculations in strict order from left to right with no brackets - eg 9x5-1÷4+3=1

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ou make? No plurals, proper names or oreign words. All must include the centre Good: 24 Maestro: 35

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£310,000: Manton Drive, Luton

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BUILT by the original builder for his daughter, this individual, 1930s art decor-style semi detached family home occupies a generous plot in this prestigious and sought after location.

Accommodation comprises two reception rooms - the lounge has an original art decor style fireplace, while the dining room has original wall lights - and a refitted kitchen.

Upstairs there are three double bedrooms and a family bathroom. The master bedroom has wonderful views over the rear garden. There is also a large loft space which offers potential to convert for further bedroom accommodation and a cellar covering the full size of the property itself.

Externally the property has a large private rear garden with mature trees to borders forming a space to the side of the property which offers excellent potential for extending (subject to planning). To the front there is a driveway providing off-road parking leading to a garage.







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PRESS RELEASE

JANUARY 2015

Bag a bargain at the Connells 'January Sale'

January marks the return of local estate agency Connells' 'January Sale' on properties. The agent's most successful sales initiative is back, offering buyers great value homes for a limited time only so bargain hunters need to act now in order to take advantage of this unique campaign.

The 'January Sale' is designed to help home sellers take full advantage of the busy New Year housing market. Indeed, figures from leading property portals like Rightmove and Zoopla show a significant upturn in prospective home buyers visiting their websites to search for property at the beginning of a new year and throughout January*.

All properties included in Connells' 'January Sale' have been included in an e-magazine which is sent out directly to buyers, will benefit from enhanced photography and depending on the level of price reduction, premium listings on major property websites**. Buyers are being urged to act fast in order to pick up one of these fantastic discounted properties during January

"Everyone loves to bag a bargain in the New Year sales," says Connells' Branch Manager, Lee Clark. "Buying a property is usually the biggest purchase you will ever make so picking up a home at a discounted price will make a significant difference to many buyers, plus the recent changes to stamp duty will make buying a home even more affordable."

The homes included in the 'January Sale' are owned by sellers who are committed to moving, which is why they have chosen to reduce the price of their homes to secure a sale. Connells expects to see an influx of buyers entering the market in January and the range of properties included in this year's sale should cater to all tastes and budgets, making it easier for buyers to purchase their ideal home for less.

"Our January Sale event always attracts a huge amount of interest from buyers, many of whom have made the decision to move home over the holiday period and enter the market with a great deal of enthusiasm and commitment," says Lee."

If you are interested in buying a cut price property in the Connells 'January Sale', please contact the branch on 01582 450999 or email: Luton@connells.co.uk



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Offers in Excess £210,000





Offers in Excess £230,000







Connells are pleased to offer for sale this fantastic four bedroom detached property. This property comprises of a large lounge/diner, kitchen, downstairs cloakroom, two bathrooms and four bedrooms. Also comprises of a garage, and front and rear gardens.







A MUST SEE* NO UPPER CHAIN This three/four bedroom bungalow comprises entrance porch, hall, living room, kitchen/diner, 3/4 bedrooms, bathroom, large garden with front driveway providing off road parking.

The Close NOW O.I.E.O £230,000

WAS £249.995

Briefly comprises porch, hall, dining room/bedroom three, second bedroom, kitchen, lounge, conservatory, bathroom, upstairs bedroom with en suite, front and rear gardens and a garage.

Sarum Road NOW O.I.E.O £130,000 WAS £145.000

An ideal first time buy or investment opportunity, this two bedroom maisonette is offered with no upper chain and briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/diner, two bedrooms, bathroom and allocated parking space.



Fantastic ideal first time buy! Two bedroom home situated in the 'Bramingham' area of Luton. Briefly comprises bathroom, two bedrooms, lounge/diner, kitchen, enclosed rear garden with a space for two cars

Bramingham Road Offers in Excess £210,000



THREE BEDROOMSBriefly comprising lounge and dining room area (extended), kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom with the property also benefiting from off road parking. Please call to arrange viewing's and avoid disappointment.

Ramsey Close NOW O.I.E.O £80,000 WAS £94.995



CALLING INVESTORS AND FIRST TIME BUYER!! This one bedroon flat is on the first floor with double glazing throughout, fitted kitchen and bathroom plenty of storage and communal garden.





Briefly comprising entrance porch, hall, cloakroom, utility, lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, front and rear gardens. Please call to arrange viewings and avoid disappointment.







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Viscount Court NOW £135,000

WAS £140,000



2 Bedroom top floor flat located in a highly sought after location just off Old Bedford Road, opposite Popes Meadow. Benefits include entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, bathroom and 2 bedrooms.

Crosby Close NOW O.I.E.O £165.000



This is a 3 bedroom mid terraced house situated just off Dunstable road, the property benefits of an entrance hall, cloakroom, a lounge/diner, 3 bedrooms and a family bathroom

Marlborough Court NOW O.I.E.O £125,000

WAS £130,000

WAS £300,000



1 Bedroom first floor flat located within walking distance to the town centre giving easy access to Luton train station and Luton university. The property is in good condition throughout and also comes with allocated parking space

Hayhurst Road NOW O.I.E.O £186.000

WAS £190,000



Great location. This 3 bedroom semi detached with garage is situated within walking distance of the L&D hospital and is close to all local amenities and transport.

Harcourt Street NOW O.I.E.O £175,000

WAS £180.000



Ideal first time buy or buy to let investment. Connells are sole agents on this 3 bedroom end of terrace located in South Luton close to all local amenities, Luton train station, Luton university and M1 junction 10.

Ashburnham Road NOW £240,000



Connells are sole agents on this ideal buy to let property offering One, two bedroom flat, and two, one bedroom flats. Also being offered with no upper chain.

Cromer Way NOW O.I.E.O £295,000





4 Bedroom detached family home located in north Luton Benefits include entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, diner, fitted kitchen, utility area, family bathroom.

Stockwood Crescent NOW £95,000



This 1 bedroom split level, flat is within easy walking distance to Luton town centre and Luton central train station with great links into central London.

The Ridings NOW £117,500





Ideal first time buy or buy to let investment. This 2 bedroom flat is located within walking distance to Bury park and close to Luton town centre and Luton train station, giving easy access into central London.

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WAS £315.000

Dallow Road NOW O.I.E.O £170.000





The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, cloakroom lounge, dining room, study, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, a family bathroom and both front and rear gardens

NOW O.I.E.O £270.000





Connells are sole agents on this commercial unit currently a hair salon with residential accommodation above. The property has huge potential to extend and convert the current property subject to planning permission

NOW O.I.E.O £310.000



4 Bedroom detached located in south Luton close to M1 junction 10 and Luton of parkway train station giving easy access into central London. The property briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen and family bathroon

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Sherborne Avenue







5 Bedroom detached family home located in a highly sought after location. The property benefits entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen and breakfast room, utility room, 5 bedrooms, master with en suite, family bathroom, front and rear gardens and a garage with parking.

New Bedford Road









Offered for sale in great condition throughout is this attractive 4 bedroom detached residence situated on one of Lutons most prestigious roads. An early viewing is recommended to avoid disappointment.





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Chesford Road









This two bed semi-detached is situated on the sought after Chesford Road, on the most popular roads in all of Stopsley. This house ha a real homely touch, and would be perfect for a small family or professional couple. The lounge is a great size as is the kitchen. Both bedrooms are doubles.

£185,995 Devon Road







This stunning rare property is a real eye catcher to say the least! From the beautiful dining and living room with a lovely fire place feature right down to the tap fittings in the kitchen, you will not be disappointed! This property has class written all over it.

WAS £184.995

Putteridge Road NOW £164,995



Offered for sale with 'No Onward Chain' is this two bedroom terrace house Putteridge.



Offered for sale with no onward chain is this well presented 2/3 bedroom property situated within this popular location.

Buchanan Drive NOW £182,500



Offered for sale in good order throughout is this attractive bedroom terraced property situated within the popular St Annes area. Viewing Advised.



This traditional 3 bedroom terrace property is situated within walking distance of Luton train station and boasts bright and spacious accommodation throughout. EPC: E



A bay fronted three bedroom semi with vast extension potential (S.T.P.P and a garage. Must be viewed to appreciate the hard work the vendor has done in this fantastic family home. Call Connells on 01582 737069.



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In a rarely available location, Connells are pleased to present this deceptively large three bedrooms property in 'Felstead Way' Stopsley. Must be Viewed!









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£390.000

Connaught Road

- Detached Property
- Seven Bedrooms
- Living Room & Dining Room
- Kitchen & Bathroom







Park Street West

£115.000

- Upper Floor Split Level Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- Re-fitted Bathroom



The Wickets

£115,000

- Ground Floor Maisonette
- One Bedroom
- Separate Kitchen
- Resident Parking



- Mid Terraced Property Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Chain Free



£105,000

Ridgway Road

- One Bedroom
- Ground Floor Flat
- Town Centre Location

WANTED

Properties urgently required in Clapham



- One Bedroom Apartment
- Fitted Kitchen
- Close to Local Amenities



Springfield Road

- First Floor Maisonette
- One Bedroom
- Lounge & Kitchen
- Close to Local Amenities



Butterworth Path

- One Bedroom Apartment
- Lounge/Diner & Fitted Kitchen Balconv
- Close to Train Station



Downs Road

- Ground Floor Apartment
- One Bedroom
- Lounge & Fitted Kitchen
- Bathroom



- First Floor Flat
- Two Bedrooms
- Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
- Communal Gardens



Lansdowne Road

£75,000

- Apartment
- One Bedroom
- Fitted Kitchen
- Off Road Parking



£90,000





£85,000



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Lavender Close

£290,000

- Four Bedrooms
- Cloakroom Lounge
- Dining Room



Wardown Crescent

£275,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Open Plan Lounge/Diner
- Front & Rear Gardens



- Extended Property
- Five Bedrooms & Family Bathroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room



Wardown Crescent

£255,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three/Four Bedrooms
- Extended Kitchen
- Two Reception Rooms



Wardown Crescent

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Open Plan Lounge/Diner
- Driveway



Hillary Crescent

- **Detached Chalet Bungalow**
- Four Bedrooms
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Double Garage

WANTED

Properties urgently required in Clapham



- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Garage
- Front & Rear Gardens



Carlton Crescent

- Semi Detached Property Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Garden & Off Road Parking



Hart Lane

£200,000

- Mid Terraced Property Three Bedrooms
- Off Road Parking
- Garden



Farley Hill

- Three Bedroom Property
- Two Reception Rooms
- Fitted Kitchen Rear Garden



Cardigan Street

- Three/Four Bedroom Property
- Ideal Investment
- Re-fitted Kitchen
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Lewsey Road

- Semi Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Extended & Improved
- Close to Hospital





Preston Road

- Spacious Family Home
- Self Contained Annexe
- Five Bedrooms
- Re-Fitted Bathroom Multiple Vehicle Garage





Jeans Way

£240,000

£350,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Off Road Parking



PUBLIC NOTICE

13 Icknield Street, Dunstable, Bedfordshire, LU6 3AD, We are acting for the mortgagees and have received an offer of £225,000 on the above property. Any interested parties must submit any higher offers in writing to the selling agent before an exchange of contracts takes place.



Downs Road

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating



Hayhurst Road

- Semi Detached Property
- Three BedroomsTwo Reception Rooms
- Off Road Parking



French's Gate

- Mid Terraced Property
- Two BedroomsReception Room
- Bathroom



Vanbrugh Drive

- End Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception RoomsFront & Rear Gardens



- Family Home
- Three BedroomsBathroom
- Garden



Leagrave High Street

- Terraced Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- Off Road Parking & Gardens



Bramley Court

- Upper Floor Apartment
- Two Bedrooms Double Glazing
- Garage



Bromley Gardens

- Mid Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Garden
- Garage



- Mid Terraced Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Garden
- Off Road Parking



£145,000

- Chelsea Gardens • Four/Five Bedrooms
 - Kitchen
 - Lounge
 - Bathroom



£145,000









£140,000

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£205,000

Tancred Road

- Semi Detached Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Living Room, Bathroom
- Kitchen/Diner
- Front & Rear Gardens





Moreton Road North

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage
- Off Road Parking





Cowdray Close

- Ground Floor Masionette
- One Bedroom
- Conservatory Garden
- Allocated Parking







Devon Road

£170,000

- End Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Front & Rear Gardens Lounge/Diner



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Sowerby Avenue

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Spacious Accommodation
- Two Bedrooms
- Sought After Location



Poplars Close £190,000 - £200,000

- Semi Detached Bunaglow
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage & Off Road Parking



Poplars Close

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- Gardens & Detached Garage
- Off Road Parking



Chesford Road

£180,000

- Mid Terraced Property
- Extended Lounge
- Three Bedrooms



- Three Bedroom Detached Property
- Lounge, Dining Room & Kitchen
- Double Glazing & Gas Central HeatingGarage & Rear Garden



Eastcott Close

- Semi Detached Property
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£70,000

- One Bedroom Apartment
- Reception Room
- Kitchen
- Bathroom

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- Three Bedroom Property
- Reception Room
- Two Bathrooms



Leagrave

- Detached Bungalow
- Four Bedrooms
- Reception Room
- Two Bathrooms Off Road Parking





- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Reception Room Rear Garden
- Garage & Off Road Parking





Bramingham Road

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Garden
- Close to Leagrave Station



£195,000

- Family Home
- Three Bedrooms Reception Room
- Bathroom

Leagrave

Off Road Parking





- Semi Detached Family Home
- Three Bedrooms Two Reception Rooms
- Bathroom Off Road Parking



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ROUND GREEN OFFERS IN EXCESS OF

Immaculate ground floor maisonette offered with no upper chain located in the Round Green area of Luton. EPC Rating D



SOUTH LUTON PRICE £299,950

Large and extended semi detached situated in the most popular of locations close to Stockwood Park. EPC Rating - C.



SOUTH LUTON GUIDE PRICE

Three bedroom terraced offered with no upper chain. OPEN HOUSE 16th January by booking EPC Rating - TBC



LEAGRAVE PRICE £154,995

End terrace located on a corner plot which subject to planning could be extended to the side. EPC Rating - TBC



SOUTH LUTON PRICE £430,000

The home boosts a wealth of original features and is set back offering substantial off road parking. EPC Rating - D



LIMBURY/ICKNIELD PRICE £114,950

Immaculate one bedroom first floor flat perfect for the first time buyer or buy to let investor! EPC Rating D



NORTH LUTON PRICE £255,000

Large detached bungalow with landscaped gardens ideally located for the commuter CALL NOW TO VIEW, EPC Rating - E



LEAGRAVE PRICE £89,950

Ground floor one bedroom apartment offered with no upper chain ideally located for the commuter, EPC Rating - D



BARTON HILLS PRICE £165,000

One bed apartment for the over 60's located in Barton Hills. This apartment also comes with parking. EPC Rating - TBC



LIMBURY/ICKNIELD PRICE £185,000

Spacious three bedroom semi detached family home located within the Icknield school catchment. EPC Rating - TBC



BARTON HILLS PRICE £127,500

One bed starter home with no upper chain. With the added benefit of Pvcu double glazing throughout, EPC Rating - F



LEAGRAVE ESSO PER MONTH

Ground floor maisonette refurbished throughout own garden, available now unfurnished call NOW. EPC Rating C



L + D BORDERS E695 PER CALENDAR

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DUNSTABLE TOWN CENTRE (895 PER

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Challney High School for Boys, Luton, a Specialist Science College

Science Technician

Required as soon as possible L2 - £8.04 per hour 20 Hours per week Term time only Starting at £7,052 per annum

We require a Science Technician to join this outstanding Specialist Science College

The work is varied, rewarding and an exciting opportunity to help in the delivery of education to young people. The post requires a highly motivated person with strong communication and interpersonal skills who can work well as part of a team. The successful candidate must also be organised and methodical with an excellent attention to detail. The ability to prioritise a busy workload is essential as is the need to meet deadlines whilst dealing with frequent interruptions.

- Provide day to day support in the running of the science laboratories.
- Prepare materials and set up equipment.

• Participate in the general technical work of the department, including the maintenance and cleaning of equipment. Previous school experience would be an advantage but is not essential and training will be available if required.

If you are interested, further information and an application pack can be downloaded from the school website www.challneyboys.luton.sch.uk

Closing date: Friday 23rd January, 2015

Interviews to be held: Week beginning Monday 26th January, 2015 Principal: Daniel Connor

This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects staff to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.



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Vacancy ID: 102345



SUNDON PARK JUNIOR SCHOOL Kinross Crescent, Luton LU3 3JU

Deputy Headteacher

£45,421 - £51,372 p.a. (L8 -L13)

Vacancy ID: 102282 Sundon Park Junior School is an improving school with big ambitions on the north western edge of Luton. The Governors are looking to appoint an experienced or aspiring Deputy Head Teacher with a proven track record of raising standards, to join our team in April 2015.

For further details and an application form please contact Carol Outlaw on 01582 571619 or visit our website www.sundonpark.luton.sch.uk

Closing date: 23 January 2015 Interview date: 4 February 2015

CHANTRY PRIMARY ACADEMY

Tomlinson Avenue, Luton LU4 00F

Medical Welfare Officer

£12.643 - £13.691 p.a.

32 hours per week, term-time plus 5 training days

High Quality Support Staff needed at Chantry Primary Academy

Chantry Primary Academy has an outstanding reputation within our local community, supporting children to achieve excellent outcomes. Ofsted have judged Chantry to be a good school, stating 'The school promotes pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development extremely well through the teaching of its values such as harmony, tolerance and respect.' Can you help us to make the difference?

Medical Welfare Officer

We are looking for a highly motivated and committed Medical Welfare Officer to care for our pupils' first aid and medical needs. You will have excellent interpersonal skills, along with experience in care, welfare or first aid. You will be cheerful and compassionate to show care and consideration for our young children's needs.

Do you have experience in first aid, care or possibly a nursing background?

Have you worked with children in a school or welfare setting? If you are also a qualified first aider then we need you!

Come and be a part of the Chantry Team!

For further details and an application form please contact Fiona Constant at the school address, telephone 01582 706500 ext 245 or email hradmin@chantryprimaryacademy.com

Closing date: 26 January 2015 at 9am Interview date: w/c 2 February 2015

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MAIDENHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL Newark Road, Luton LU4 8LD

Deputy Head Teacher

£55,397- £61,012 (L16-L20)



Vacancy ID: 102316



Maidenhall Primary School is a passionate and energetic school, with a strong ethos and commitment to our community. The Headteacher and Governing Body of Maidenhall are seeking to appoint a highly motivated, enthusiastic and inspirational Deputy who can work alongside the Head teacher and staff to influence the future direction and further success of the school. If you are a creative, dynamic and values driven professional then come and join us on our continuing journey towards excellence.

Are vou...

- Passionate about creative teaching and learning and believe that you can make a difference to outcomes for children?
- An outstanding, talented and effective classroom practitioner with a willingness to coach others?
- Able to inspire, motivate and challenge staff and children alike to achieve their full potential?
- Committed to raising standards and aspirations for all children?

 Able to take the lead on whole school initiatives and respond to future challenges?
- Able to communicate effectively with pupils, staff, parents, governors and the wider community?

- Lead by example and provide a positive role model for all?
- Have a clear understanding of and the ability to analyse school data effectively?
- Have high expectations of yourself, the children and of all adults?
- Have proven track record of achieving high educational standards whilst supporting the wellbeing of every child?

If so, then we can offer you..

- An opportunity to have an impact in a school rapidly improving to 'good' A strong ethos based on our shared values and high expectations and challenge
- A supportive and forward-thinking leadership team Enthusiastic, diverse, well behaved and highly motivated children
- Positive and supportive staff colleagues
- A commitment to your professional development A varied and enriched curriculum, with an emphasis on experiential learning
- An attractive building with excellent facilities
- · Supportive parents and Governance

Visits to the school are highly encouraged and warmly welcomed, prior to application and you can also visit our website for further information about our school www.maidenhallprimary.co.uk

Please contact Mrs Hussain, the Office Manager on 01582 430780 or nail maidenhall.primary.admin@lbc.luton.sch.uk to arrange an appoint

'Maidenhall Primary School - Whatever it takes!'

To apply for this role please visit http://maidenhallprimary.co.uk/topic/vacancies

Closing date for applications: Sunday 25 January 2015 Observations and interviews to be held: W/B: Monday 2 February 2015

References will be taken up prior to interview

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ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL Gardenia Avenue Tuton III3 2NS

Head teacher: Mrs. J. A. Lee

Class Teacher

MPS / UPS Temporary post Vacancy ID: 102324

Vacancy ID: 102308

Class teachers required for maternity leave February 2015

Pupils have outstanding attitudes to learning. Their behaviour is exemplary and pupils are extremely proud of their school. Mutual respect pervades all aspects of school life. OfSTED June 2013. St. Joseph's Infant and Junior Schools amalgamated on 01 January 2015 to form St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School. This is an exciting time in the life of the school and Governors warmly invite applications for class teachers to cover maternity leave.

We are looking for someone who

- will be dedicated to supporting the aims and ethos of our successful Catholic school
- is an enthusiastic and good to outstanding classroom practitioner with a clear vision and commitment to achieving high standards and attainment for all pupils
- is committed to developing the full potential of all groups of pupils school wide
- enjoys working as part of a team and is able to communicate effectively with pupils, staff, parents, governors, the parish and wider community

- · a strong Catholic school community with a friendly staff
- a highly supportive leadership team, committed to raising standards in a welcoming
- a school with a clear vision for its future as a Primary School
- positive, happy children who enjoy learning
- excellent home, school and parish links
- a well resourced school and stimulating learning environment
- a commitment to your professional development.

A visit to the school is encouraged to fully appreciate what the school can offer to the right candidate. For an application pack please contact Mrs A. Board on tel: 01582 572964 or email admin@stjosephs.primaryluton.co.uk Further information about the school can be found on our website www.stjosephsprimaryluton.co.uk

To apply for this role, visit www.luton.gov.uk/iobs

Closing date: 26 January 2015 at 12noon

Interview date: 29 January 2015

Successful applicants for interview will be contacted by telephone in the first instance on Tuesday

CHAPEL STREET NURSERY SCHOOL Russell Street, Luton LU1 5EA

Early Years Assistant

£11,458 - £12,512 p.a.

32.5 hours per week, term-time plus 5 training days

Fixed term position until 31st August 2015

We require an experienced, qualified early years assistant (NNEB/ NVQ Level 2 in Childcare) for our popular local authority maintained Nursery School. You will need experience of working in an early years setting and some experience of working with children with special educational needs as Chapel Street is a fully inclusive setting. You will be a key person with responsibility for keeping records on a small group of children. You will be required to work flexibly throughout the setting. Hours: 8.50am - 4.20pm.

To apply for this role, visit www.luton.gov.uk/jobs

Closing date: 23 January 2015 Interview date: 3 February 2015

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Bedfordshire Fire and Rescue Service

PREVENTION SUPPORT **MANAGER**

BASED AT LUTON FIRE STATION

£31,160 per annum. Hours: 37 hours per week

This post is responsible for providing technical advice and guidance on Prevention policy and procedures and the provision of training and practical support. It also has responsibility for management of the Service's team of Home Fire Safety Advisors and Volunteers.

You must have experience in a managerial role specific to community safety and have a comprehensive technical knowledge of current Community Safety Legislation. You must also have experience of using customer profiling to target messages at groups. A current driving licence with no pending issues is also

There is a requirement that Corporate Clothing will be worn by the successful candidate.

An application form, job description and personnel specification, together with other relevant details may be obtained from www.bedsfire.com where the advertisement will be published under 'Careers and Recruitment'. Alternatively, if you are unable to access a computer, please contact the Human Resources Section on 01234 845025.

Completed application forms must be returned no later than Friday 23rd January 2015.

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River Bank Primary School

Bath Road, Luton LU3 1ES



Continuing the journey

River Bank is a primary school which has Physical Education and sport at its the heart. It opened in September 2013 in temporary accommodation but has now moved to our newly purpose built premises, including a dedicated sports hall. This is a very exciting time for all involved and we are now seeking a highly motivated, enthusiastic, creative and committed professional to join us on our journey.

This post offers excellent opportunities for promotion in a growing school which will reach full capacity in 2019

For this role you will need to have excellent communication and inter-personal skills, be committed to working in close partnership with parents, governors and the wider community, have high expectations of children's achievement and behaviour, and be prepared to model the values that underpin the school's vision and ethos.

Foundation Stage Class Teacher

MPS/LIPS Vacancy ID: 102329

Required for April 2015

We are seeking to appoint a talented, committed and enthusiastic Foundation Stage Teacher with a passion for ensuring that children have access to the best possible learning experiences. The successful candidate will need to be an outstanding classroom practitioner with a sound understanding of the EYFS. They will have excellent communication and inter-personal skills, be committed to working in close partnership with parents, governors and the wider community, have high expectations of children's achievement and behaviour, and the ability to inspire.

If you have the potential to be an outstanding practitioner and are looking for a challenging but rewarding new opportunity, then we look forward to hearing from you.

We welcome applications from both newly qualified and experienced practitioners

Closing date: 2 February 2015 Interview Date: 12 February 2015

At River Bank Primary School our commitment is to: Inspire, Empower, Achieve

If you would like any additional information regarding this post then please visit our Website: http://www.riverbank.org and/or contact the Headteacher, John Wrigglesworth on tel: 01582 531 860.

To arrange a visit to the school please contact the Office Manager, Lucy Brooks on 01582 531 860.

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Forklift Truck Operator



£6.65 per hour **Dunstable, Bedfordshire**

Part of the successful Mediaforce Group, Mortimers Logistics is an established transport company based in Dunstable, Bedfordshire. We require an experienced Forklift Truck Operator to work in our busy Dunstable Depot for 40 hours per week. Duties will include picking and checking of loads, loading/unloading vehicles and general warehouse work.

You must be reliable and physically fit as some lifting is involved.

For an application form please telephone Steve Adams on 01582 471155 or to submit your CV email: sadams@mortimers.co.uk Strictly no agencies.



CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND SPECIALIST

SCIENCE COLLEGE

Warden Hill Road, Luton LU2 7AE

Diocese of Northampton in Partnership with Luton LA

Cardinal Newman is an 11-19 comprehensive school serving the Roman Catholic community in Luton and Dunstable. The school has Specialist Science Status and was described by Ofsted in December 2013 as 'Providing a good education for its students; their personal development as well as academic achievement'. 'Students behave well in lessons; around the school they are polite, friendly and helpful'.

We are looking to recruit to the following roles as soon as possible, we require:

ICT Technician

£19,048 - £20,849 p.a.

37 hours per week, 52 weeks per year

An ICT Technician to join our friendly ICT Support team. You will be required to provide technical ICT Support and training to staff, students and visitors. You will undertake routine preventative maintenance as well as break-fix repairs and diagnosis for all hardware, software and network related issues

Closing date: 5 February 2015 Interview date: w/c 16 February 2015

Site Agent

£19,048 - £20,849 p.a.

Vacancy ID: 102349

37 hours per week, 52 weeks per year

A Site Agent with previous experience of working within the buildings and maintenance services field to join our friendly site staff team. You will be required to provide a safe, clean and secure environment for our pupils, staff and visitors. The position will require you to be responsible for the security (as one of the principle key holders) and maintenance of the school site and buildings in conjunction with other members of the team. The position will require you to be available for school lettings and on occasions to drive the school mini bus. A clean driving license will therefore

Closing date: 5 February 2015 Interview date: w/c 16 February 2015

Cover Assistants

1 Full Time, 37 hours per week, £16,484 - £18,043 Vacancy ID: 102350 1 Part Time, 3 days per week, £9,802 - £10,729 Term time plus 5 training days

Cover Assistants who will take the classes of absent teachers, escort students on trips and visits, carry out invigilation duties and assist with administrative tasks. Training in classroom management skills and the management of behaviour will be provided. If you have GCSE, or equivalent, English Language and Maths and experience of working with youngsters of high school age then this may be the role for you.

Closing date: 2 February 2015

Interview date: w/c 9 February 2015

For further details and an application form please contact Mrs S Bradley, PA to Headteacher at Cardinal Newman Catholic School, Warden Hill Road, Luton, LU2 7AE, telephone 01582 597125 or email admin@cardinalnewmanschool.net

Roman Catholic School in the Diocese of Northampton "Together towards our Lord through learning, love and faith"

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Driving Opportunities in Dunstable



Part of the successful Mediaforce Group, Mortimers Logistics is an established transport company based in Dunstable, Bedfordshire. Due to continued expansion we currently have full time and casual Driver opportunities.

Class 1 Casual **Class 2 Casual and Full Time** 7.5 Ton Casual and Full Time

Newly qualified Drivers will be considered and there will be lots of opportunities to work extra hours.

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We have the following vacancies within BEMAT and welcome applications from suitably qualified candidates.

ACADEMIES CLERK

Based at: Samuel Whitbread and Robert Bloomfield Academies Required: As soon as possible Salary: £75 per meeting

The Post holder will be responsible for clerking Samuel Whitbread Academy (SWA) and Robert Bloomfield Academy (RBA) Governors meetings and any meetings of committees with delegated powers. Previous experience of a similar role desirable.

Closing date: Monday 19th January 2015 Interviews: Week commencing 26th January 2015

We are committed to the safeguarding and promotion of children's welfare and offers of Directorship are subject to satisfactory DBS.
The successful candidate will be expected to work across BEMAT Academies / Schools as required.

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Salary: L4 Point 20 - 23 £16,484 - £18,042 actual salary Term-Time Only + 5 days

Lealands High School would like to recruit a Learning Support Assistant with knowledge of strategies to support students with a diagnosis of Autism or experience of supporting students with a formal diagnosis of Autism to support class teachers in all aspects of teaching and learning. The successful candidate will enhance opportunities for students and will bring to the role knowledge and practical experience gained through working with young people. The ability to support the learning of individuals and small groups is essential as are excellent communication skills. This is a permanent contract supporting the special educational needs of statemented students

Lealands provides a dynamic, friendly and vibrant environment where support, training and development for all staff is a priority. Our students and staff experience a supportive and caring atmosphere along with high standards and expectations

A wide range of career development opportunities and training are also available to

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Visits from prospective candidates are welcome and can be arranged by contacting Mrs Nilsson (HR) on 01582 611600.

Closing date for applications: Monday 19th January 2015

Interview date: Week beginning 26th January 2015

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Luton Borough Council Learning and Teaching Consultant - English

£44,230 - £47,742 p.a. Soulbury 11 - 14 (+ 3 SPA points) Plus Essential Car User Allowance

We are looking for an experienced English specialist, adviser or school improvement professional to join our dynamic and successful 0 to 19 school improvement service.

With an excellent track record, you will need a thorough knowledge and understanding of the implementation of school improvement strategies that lead to raising standards and achievement

As a Teaching and Learning Consultant for English, you will work with a range of primary and secondary schools to challenge and support them in their continuing improvement, helping all children make outstanding progress and raise standards across the authority.
You will need to be able to build effective working relationships with Headteachers and school

staff and have the ability to lead and inspire in your subject area. You will be an effective team player, have high levels of credibility with excellent subject knowledge, and be an excellent coach

This post includes working with individual teachers, middle leaders and senior leaders within schools, as well as developing and delivering high quality professional development and leading

on English within the Local Authority's school improvement service
Luton has a proven track record of supporting our schools to provide the best possible education
for our pupils and our team of Teaching and Learning Consultants has a key role in maintaining and developing a strong relationship between schools and the local authority.

For an informal discussion about this role please contact Caroline Dawes on 01582 548216 or email caroline.dawes@luton.gov.uk

Closing date: 25 January 2015 Interview date: 29 January 2015

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Please quote appropriate reference number.

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Ridgeway Special Hill Rise, Kempston, Beds MK42 7EB Teacher

Full-time - to start Summer Term 2015 MPS, 1 SEN Point, TLR

Ridgeway is an all age specialist school for children with physical disabilities and associated learning needs.

We are seeking to recruit a suitably qualified, vibrant and enthusiastic Primary Teacher to work with a small class group of children who have a physical disability and significant learning needs.

Experience of working with such children would be an advantage but is not essential.

You will be flexible and resilient and able to adopt a broad range of teaching styles to meet the complex needs of our pupils.

You will teach in KS1 and 2 and should be willing to co-ordinate a subject throughout the school for which a TLR will be payable.

Interested applicants are welcomed and encouraged to visit the school on Friday 16th January 2015 (9.30-11.30). Please inform the school of your intention to attend.

For further details and an application pack please contact Joyce Webb on tel: 01234 402402 or email: joyce.webb@ridgeway.bedssch.co.uk

Closing date: 28 January 2015, 1pm. Interview date: 4 & 5 February 2015.

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YOUTH SUPPORT SERVICES

PERSONAL ADVISER – LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN 13 TO 18 YEAR OLDS

£25,212 to £27,564 per annum Quote ref: 4919

Full time, 37 hours per week

This role is all about helping looked after young people broaden their horizons and improve their outcomes. You will provide careers advice and guidance to a caseload of looked after young people aged 13 to 18, ensuring robust transition plans are in place. Your focus will be on increasing participation in further education, employment and training.

PERSONAL ADVISER – YOUNG PEOPLE WITH COMPLEX NEEDS

£25,212 to £27,564 per annum Quote ref: 4920

Full time, 37 hours per week

You will ensure disadvantaged young people get the futures they deserve You will build positive relationships with vulnerable young people to help identify and overcome barriers to participation in further education, training or employment. You will work closely with other agencies and organisations to support the transition process.

For both roles you will be a qualified Personal Adviser and have experience of working with vulnerable and disaffected young people in an IAG role Confident working on your own initiative, you will have sound advocacy, negotiation and partnership working skills. Above all, you will be keen to work with young people to improve their lives

For an informal discussion please contact Angela Perry on 0300 300 4484 or email angela.perry@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

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Closing Date: 27 January 2015 Interview Date: 16 or 17 February 2015

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Night Transport Supervisor



Attractive salary package Dunstable, Beds.

Part of the Mediaforce Group, Mortimers Logistics is an established transport business with a large fleet of HGVs and other vehicles. We are a market leader in the bulk distribution of newspapers and leaflets throughout the UK. Due to continued business growth we are now seeking a Night Transport Supervisor to join the team based at our busy depot in Dunstable.

We are seeking someone with experience of working in a busy transport department. Flexible, with a can do attitude, you will be capable of thinking on your feet and demonstrate the ability to resolve issues effectively, both proactively and reactively.

As a key figure within the leadership team, your responsibilities will include tracking all night vehicles and drivers, while keeping control of the transport plan as necessary, and dealing with any issues. You will keep up to date with driver data, infringement analysis, and keep check on other compliance such as driver and vehicle records. You will also conduct vehicle inspections before and after routes, and provide clear pre-brief and de-brief communication to drivers

You will have the commitment to cover any vehicle routes if necessary and support and keep check on our warehouse if required.

This role is working nights during the week and would be flexible as the needs of the business dictate. Applicants must have a LGV licence and FLT experience would be beneficial

To apply, please send your CV to Bill Smith at bsmith@mortimers.co.uk stating your current salary.









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Cover Teacher

L5 - Actual Salary (£18,262) 37 hours per week. Term time only + 5 inset days.

Barnfield Vale Academy is seeking to appoint a talented, creative and innovative individual to our team who can be instrumental in furthering our excellent work in our thriving and successful school.

The successful candidate will be educated to degree level with a ne succession candidate will be educated to degree level with a proven track record in a primary or middle school setting. We are looking for candidates with a passion for working with children and a flexible attitude to work requirements. Essentially this role is to work under the guidance of teaching staff in implementing work programmes with whole classes during the short term absence of

The successful candidate should have a clear understanding about effective teaching, raising and sustaining achievement and the support required for well-motivated students. They should be good communicators and should be able to engage effectively with young learners on a daily basis.

For further details and an application pack, please contact:-

Human Resources Department on 01582 569761 or Email address: - academyrecruitment@barnfield.ac.uk

Closing date for applications: Friday 23rd January 2015

Barnfield Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure & Barring Services.

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BEMAT

We have the following vacancies within BEMAT and welcome applications from suitably qualified candidates.

BEMAT IT NETWORK CO-ORDINATOR

Based at: Both Samuel Whitbread and Etonbury Academies Required: As soon as possible

Salary: NJC Scale 4D Pts 24-27 £21,530-£23,698 (£19,614-£21,589 pro rata) 37 hours per week, Term-time plus 2 weeks

Required as soon as possible to maintain and support the school's computer network, hardware and software along with providing technical support to ICT users throughout the Academy.

IT TECHNICIAN (Temporary)

Based at: Samuel Whitbread Academy Required: As soon as possible | Temporary post to 31st August 2015 Salary: NJC Scale 2B Pts 11-14 £15,207-£16,231 (£13,854-£14,786 pro rata) 37 hours per week, Term-time plus 2 weeks

Required as soon as possible to assist in the maintenance and support the school's computer network, hardware and software. Provide a range of technical and general support in respect of ICT, to users, throughout the academy and trust.

Closing date: Monday 19th January 2015 | Interviews: Wednesday 21st January 2015

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two bedroom flats together with associated facilities.

The application and submitted details can be inspected using Public Access, the on-line planning service at www.eplan.luton.gov.uk and enter the application number

into the Application Search. This site can be accessed at any

library free of charge. If you wish to discuss the proposal, please contact the Case Officer on Luton 546317.

Any representations should be made to the Development Any representations should be induce to the Development Control Manager within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application number above. This can be done in writing or on-line through public access (full details can be

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Luton Borough Council is responsible for the provision building and maintenance services for the population of Luton. Expressions of interest are sought from suitably qualified and experienced contractors who can meet all of the legal requirements of LBC contracts to tender for Energy Saving Measures and Insulation Systems

Key Objectives

We are looking for an experienced contractor for works detailed below, within Luton Borough Council area:

External Wall Insulation and Cladding systems, Internal Wall and Ceiling Insulation, Loft Insulation, for council houses and flats (including high rise and low rise blocks of flats containing Leasehold properties).

The estimated total sum of the contracts to be tendered each year could range from approx. £500,000 to £.4,000,000

Contract

The Council is intending on awarding a <u>framework</u> contract consisting of 4-6 Contractors to carry out the above works over a four year period. The successful Contractors will then have the opportunity to enter into mini-tenders for individual projects (one or combination of projects listed above).

The basis for this Framework is the JCT Framework Agreement 2011. Individual contracts will be let utilising other JCT contracts

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https://procurement.luton.gov.uk/web/login.shtml website.

The deadline for the PQQ is Monday 9th February 2015 5pm.



Luton Borough Council

Publication of Revised Register of Electors

In accordance with the Section 13 (1) of the In accordance with the Section 13 (1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 and Regulation 36 (1) of the Representation of the People Regulations 2001, I hereby give notice that a revised version of the Register of Electors for Luton Borough Council will be published on the 2nd February 2015.

The Register will be available for inspection at the address shown below during normal office hours.

Flectoral Services Luton Borough Council Town Hall LU1 2BQ

5th January 2015





*Excludes pets, motor vehicles and trade sales

Luton Borough Council THE BOROUGH OF LUTON (HUCKLESBY WAY) (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE) ORDER 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that Luton Borough Council, the Highway Authority for the said Borough, intends to make the above Order under the relevant provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act intends to make the 1984 (as amended).

The Order will come into operation $26^{\rm th}$ January 2015 and cease operation after $29^{\rm th}$ March 2015 or when the proposed works have been completed. Specific times and dates will be signed locally. The Order will therefore be in operation when signs are displayed.

The effect of the Order will allow the Council to close to traffic the road and length of road in the Schedule below. The Order is intended to create a window for the works to be done and it is anticipated that the works will be completed over a period within the dates described as above.

The purpose of the Order is to enable Highway works to be carried out.

Access will be maintained as best as possible to properties where this may be done safely whilst such works are being carried out and diversions for traffic will be marked by signs.

SCHEDULE.

ROAD	LENGTH OF ROAD	TIMES
Hucklesby Way.		From 19.00 hours to 05.00 hours.

Graham Turner, Highway Services Manager Town Hall Luton LU1 2BQ

THE BOROUGH OF LUTON (VARIOUS ROADS) (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES) ORDER 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that Luton Borough Council, the Highway Authority for the said Borough, intends to make the above Order under the relevant provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended).

The Order will come into operation on 1st March 2015 for a period of 18 months. Specific times and dates will be signed locally. The Order will therefore be in operation when signs are displayed.

The effect of the Order will allow the Council to close to traffic the roads and lengths of roads in the Schedule below. The Order is intended to create a window for the works to be done and it anticipated that the works will be completed over a period within the date described as above. The purpose of the Order is to enable carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out.

The Order will also provide for a "No Waiting Monday to Saturday 8am to 6pm" waiting restriction to apply in each road for the period of the closure. This will be in force when cones are displayed. Vehicles will be prohibited from accessing and parking on the road with exception to vehicles used by the emergency services and vehicles being used in connection with the works. Access will be maintained as best as possible to properties where this may be done safely and diversions for traffic will be marked by signs.

SCHEDULE

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ROAD	LENGTH OF ROAD		
Airport Way.	From its junction with Kimpton Road to its junction with Percival Way.		
Gordon Street.	The whole length.		
Old Bedford Road.	From its junction with Kingsdown Avenue to its junction with Cromwell Hill.		
Skimpot Road.	The whole length.		
Stockingstone Road.	The whole length.		
Stopsley Way.	The whole length.		
Whitehorse Vale.	The whole length.		

Graham Turner, Highway Services Manager Town Hall Luton LU1 2BQ

DATED: 11th January 2015

THE BOROUGH OF LUTON (STREET PARKING PLACES) (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT NO.25) ORDER 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that on 5th January 2015 Luton Borough Council, the Highway Authority for the said Borough, made the above Order under the relevant provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended).

The Order will come into operation on Monday 19 January 2015.

The Order makes permanent an experimental 5.5 led persons parking bay centred on No.13 Vernon Road.

A copy of the Order, plan and reasons for making the Order may be inspected at the Town Hall, Luton. Please telephone Highway Services on 01582 546783 to arrange for an appointment to view.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or of any provision contained in it on the grounds that they it is not within the powers contained in the above Act or any requirement of that Act or any regulation made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, may, within six weeks of the date on which the Order was made, apply to the High Court for this purpose.

11th January 2015

Graham Turner, Highway Services Manager Town Hall Luton LU1 2BQ

THE BOROUGH OF LUTON (CONTROLLED PARKING AREAS) (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT NO.11) ORDER 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that on 5^{th} January 2015 Luton Borough Council, the Highway Authority for the said Borough, made the above Order under the relevant provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended).

The Order will come into operation on Monday 26 January 2015.

The Order makes permanent experimental cashless only parking places in Power Court.

A copy of the Order, plan and reasons for making the Order may be inspected at the Town Hall, Luton. Please telephone Highway Services on 01582 546783 to arrange for an appointment to view.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or of any provision contained in it on the grounds that they it is not within the powers contained in the above Act or any requirement of that Act or any regulation made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, may, within six weeks of the date on which the Order was made, apply to the High Court for this purpose.

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Piling another 10 per cent more power and 23 per cent more torque on top of that delivered by the utterly riotous previous generation JCW is just asking for trouble - the sort of trouble we absolutely adore. Against the clock, the latest JCW's 2.0-litre 231PS turbo four punts it to 62mph in just 6.3 seconds if you want to guide a stick round the six-speed gearbox, or just $6.1\,$ seconds if you entrust the Steptronic robot to do the gear changing. Flat out it'll hit 152. In a MINI. We'll let that number sink in for a moment.

The JCW orders a supersized serving of styling, and although they will have you on first name term with your chiropractor, the bigger 18-inch wheels do look utterly ace. Of course, MINI claim most of the

external changes are absolutely functional in terms of aerodynamics but if we're honest with ourselves we like them because they look good. To that end, the JCW gets a model-specific front apron with large engine air intakes, distinctive side sills, a custom rear apron and a John Cooper Works spoiler. The JCW also has LED headlamps with white indicators, wheel-arch surrounds and a unique radiator grille, side scuttles and tailgate all festooned with JCW badging. Of all the exclusive colours to select, the one MINI has plumped for - Rebel Green - seems a bit of an unusual choice.

The last stab MINI had at producing a John Cooper Works was an absolute masterstroke. This time round, MINI has only built on that reputation, delivering more of everything. This has only served to make the pricing look even keener value than before, and it's hard to argue with the efficiency of the JCW when meeker rivals can't get close to its economy and emissions figures. The only real fly in the ointment might be the styling, but that's a third generation MINI thing, not something specific to the JCW model. Still, that's a subjective issue for you to make your mind up about. When it comes to making all the right numbers, the JCW just hits bullseye every time. What was the old line? "Come at the king, you best not miss

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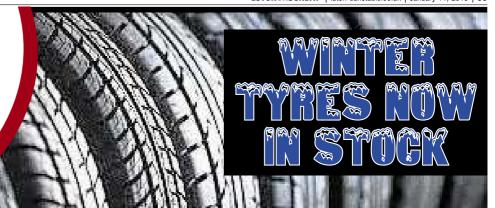
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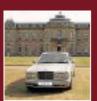
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NEW BOY: On-loan AFC Bournemouth striker Jayden Stockley made his Hatters debut against Shrewsbury – will he provide desperately needed goals?

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HATTERS

BY JAMES CUNLIFFE

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JANUARY is only 11 days old but compared to 2014 it's looking more annus horribilis than happy New Year for Luton Town – and it's all down to their struggles in front of goal.

Admittedly, the last calendar year for the Hatters was sensational. They were the third best performing team in the whole of England, based on league games and goals per game (2.05). Only the mega-money, world-class capabilities of Manchester City and Chelsea had a better strike rate (both 2.32).

There are, of course, mitigating circumstances for Town and losing 30-goal machine Andre Gray to Championship outfit Brentford in the summer was always going to affect this term's tally. Just ask Liverpool how difficult it is to replace your main marksman.

Gray sat in the Kenilworth Road stands on Thursday for the visit of Shrewsbury to watch two of his former teams fail to hit the target.

If he was in his seat 25 minutes before kickoff, he would have witnessed a worrying lack of marksmanship coursing through the Luton squad in a pre-match shooting practice exercise. It didn't take a crystal ball to predict the 0-0 stalemate that was to follow.

These goal-shy symptoms took the razzmatazz out of the festive period where they dominated opponents, as they nearly always do, but couldn't apply a killer touch. Gray's understudy last term, Mark Cullen, is Town's top goalscorer but he's only registered once in two-and-a-half months. It says it all.

Luke Rooney has been missing for the same length of time this season through injury and suspension, yet is still the club's next best goalgrabber with five – and he scored three of those in December.

And so Luton ushered in 2015 with an FA Cup

exit at Cambridge United that was made all the more frustrating when their League Two rivals drew the biggest of money-spinning fourth round home clashes against Manchester United.

Recent scorelines haven't told the full story but, having seen all the league has to offer; it is only Luton's inability to pair their high standards and good performances with goals that is threatening their hopes of an automatic rise straight into League One.

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Though, if there was a panic button at Kenilworth Road, it seems no-one has located it, let alone pushed it.

As captain Steve McNulty said: "It's not falling for us in the box, but I think I'd be worrying more if we weren't getting into the box and creating the chances we are.

"We need one to go in off someone's backside and we'll kick on, but we're not conceding goals and we're picking up points so we need to keep this run going and it will all come together."

Stockwood Park RFC are too smart for Casuals

RUGBY UNION

BY TIM BARTLETT

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LUTON RFC's 24-7 away defeat to Colchester keeps them ninth in London One North, with ten to play in a season where they've struggled on the road, having now won one in seven this term.

Tesh Edwards put Luton ahead with just five minutes on the clock – grabbing his ninth try of the season, converted by Rik Hobbs, as the visitors went 7-0 up.

This was how it stayed until the closing minutes of the half when Colchester scored an unconverted try, to reduce the deficit, and send Luton in 7-5 ahead at the turnaround.

However, Luton were unable to maintain their advantage, and keep the home side out, and conceded 19 points – three tries, with two of those converted, in the second half.

Luton will be confident that they can kick start 2015 as bottom-placed Woodford are scheduled to visit Newlands Road next weekend.

In Midlands Two East South, Dunstablians were narrowly beaten 24-23 by second-placed Wellingborough, a defeat that keeps them rooted at the foot of the table, ten points adrift of Stewarts & Lloyds above them.

The Dees have won two from 13 this year, and

will need an upturn of form if they're to avoid relegation. $\,$

Stockwood Park beat Northampton Casuals 34-7 in Midlands Three East South yesterday, and went above them in the table to fifth.

"It was as good a performance as I've seen from us all season," said club President John Humphries.

Stockwood lead 17-7 at the interval through tries from Ben Griffin [2], Michael Powell, and two Steve Pollock conversions.

After the break Casuals enjoyed the elements, but it was Stockwood Park that enjoyed the points; Darren Beattie scored twice, either side of a penalty try, and Pollock completed the rout.

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DEPARTED HITMAN: Luton have missed the goals of Andre Gray after the striker's summer move to Brentford

needed for a bright 2015

Lucky posteriors or not, they need someone with the knowledge of what to do with a barn door and banjo.

McNulty and his defensive colleagues are at least holding up their end of the bargain as the shutout of Shrewsbury was their 12th clean sheet of the campaign.

Of course, one small mid-season goal problem does not a disaster make, and it is hard not to imagine that Luton are nailed on for the play-offs, at worst. But, judging by past efforts that is not a route this club should want to contemplate. History has not been kind.

To alleviate that worry, Still is talking all the right transfer talk. If he can snare former England international Andrew Johnson it will be something of a coup. He's a free agent, so it's worth a punt, even with an injury record that threatens to turn the 33-year-old into a glamorous addition to a Town treatment room already bulging with injured attacking talent. Add Ross Lafayette to that party once more, with Still revealing that he's had another setback.

So far in his Hatters career the manager has got the big decisions right. He'll be given the freedom of the borough of Luton on Thursday after Town supporter and Stopsley councillor Michael Dolling put him forward for the accolade, say-

ing the 64-year-old had, "raised the town's morale" by guiding the club back to the Football League.

There's every hope to suggest the manager will find a way through this current goal drought, which won't get any easier with a tough trip to Plymouth on Saturday. He's already bagged Jayden Stockley on loan from AFC Bournemouth and there were promising green shoots from the 21-year-old forward on his debut.

As Still has repeated this on numerous occasions in recent weeks, he doesn't believe in luck, so you'd be inclined to believe that there will be some methodology applied, compared to football's often-used lost causes of faint hope and empty platitudes.

But perhaps the real reason the mood inside the Hatters camp is undaunted is the message filtering down from the ton.

top.

Managing director Gary Sweet wrote in Thursday night's match programme that the club are "ahead of schedule," adding in a piece about, amongst other things, a magnificent 2014: "Thankfully we're in a happier place now."

2014: "Thankfully we're in a happier place now."

If they can find a magic goal formula, 2015, despite its beginnings, could bring many happy returns.



Town losing ground on play-off pack after Redditch loss

FOOTBALL

BY NICK SMITH

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DUNSTABLE Town's play-off hopes took a hit yesterday when they fell to a 2-1 defeat at fellow promotion hopefuls Redditch United.

The hosts are now fourth and well in the mix in the play-off hunt from the Southern Premier League, while The Blues have slipped down to 11th and are five points adrift.

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Redditch took the lead through Simeon
Maye in the 30th minute and held on to their
advantage until the break.

Scott Davies netted an equaliser for the vis-

iting Blues with an hour gone, but his work was undone just over ten minutes later.

The ball cannoned off Dunstable skipper Ben Herd and ended up in the back of the net for an own goal, which proved to be the win-

Town will now look to bounce back on Wednesday night when they head to Frome Town for another league clash.

Barton Rovers' home game against St Ives in the Southern League Division One Central was called off yesterday following a pitch inspection due to a waterlogged surface.

Rovers are seventh and six points shy of the play-off places after the postponement.

They will not have to wait long to return to the field as they are due to travel to Northwood for a league clash on Tuesday.

In the Spartan South Midlands Premier League, AFC Dunstable ran out as superb 3-0 winners at home to table toppers Kings Langley. All three goals were scored before the break and Dunstable saw out the remainder of the game to take all three points.

Chris Francis opened the scoring for the hosts after 11 minutes, before Jermaine Hall added a second with 36 minutes on the clock.

Kings Langley's task got even harder just before the break, when Lee Burgoyne was sent off after 42 minutes. AFC took advantage straight away, with Hall adding the final goal just before half

The result leaves AFC fourth in the division with only seven points separating first place from sixth in a congested top portion of the league table.

They next travel to Harefield United on Saturday.

In Division Two, Kent Athletic were 2-1 victors away at Pitstone & Ivinghoe.

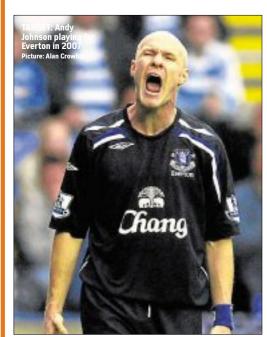
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Johnson coup would show how far Town have come



HATTERS

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SIGNING former England international striker Andrew Johnson would be a huge statement to show that Luton Town are back on the rise after years in the doldrums, says captain Steve

McNulty.

Hatters boss John Still revealed earlier this week that he was in talks with the former Crystal Palace man after the Eagles released him and, after watching his side fail to finish off 10-man Shrewsbury in Thursday night's 0-0 draw, he expects to hold further talks with the 33-year-old in the coming days.

McNulty, who last year helped end Town's five-year stay in the non-league, hopes the club get their man, saying: "It would be nice if we do get a player like that in but that just shows how far we've come as a club when we've got players like him that

maybe we can bring to the club. That's good for the club as a whole that we can start attracting players like that again

again.
"If it comes off it will be great and he'll come into a good, honest bunch of lads and hopefully he'll add something with his experience.

"Until it's done it's not really worth talking about. It's all speculation. Until he turns up at the training ground we can't be getting excited about it.

it.

"We [the players] don't really chat about stuff. You hear all kinds of rumours flying about. We're just there to get on with our job and whoever he [Still] brings in, he'll bring in to improve the group and give us something that we need."

Goals are very much on Still's agenda in this transfer window after his dominant but misfiring side drew their third league game in a row, missing the chance to leapfrog promotion rivals Shrewsbury into third place in League Two. Bedford-born ace Johnson, who began his youth career at Kenilworth Road, has made a living out of bagging goals throughout the upper echelons of the football pyramid.

He moved from Luton to Birmingham in 1997 before enjoying Premier League spells with Fulham, Everton, Queens Park Rangers and Palace (twice) and also winning eight England caps.

For Town's new 21-year-old loan striker Jayden Stockley, who made his debut against the Shrews two days after joining Luton on a monthlong deal, playing alongside Johnson would be a dream partnership.

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"He's a player that I've watched, growing up," said the Bournemouth youngster, adding: "It would be brilliant if he came here, to learn things from him because the experience he's got is so valuable.

"You don't get to that stage in your career, playing for England, representing your country, if you're not a brilliant player. I think everyone could learn a bit from him.

"If it came off then I'd like to play with him, for his obvious abilities, but that's up to the gaffer."

Still said of his discussions with Johnson: "We need things to settle down for him.

"We will talk again and if that works out it will work out. If it doesn't, there are one or two other targets but we'll have to wait on those.

"We know he's fit, we know he can score goals, but he needs a little bit of time to decide what he really wants to do.
"I'm pretty comfortable in

"I'm pretty comfortable in the knowledge that if he wants to play football he'll play football here, he will do.

"Luton is his club and I think sometimes you get a bit extra out of people when it's their club, but obviously, he has to feel at this particular time that it's right for him.

"When we met he was a great lad, really interesting to talk to and he understood what we can give him as well."



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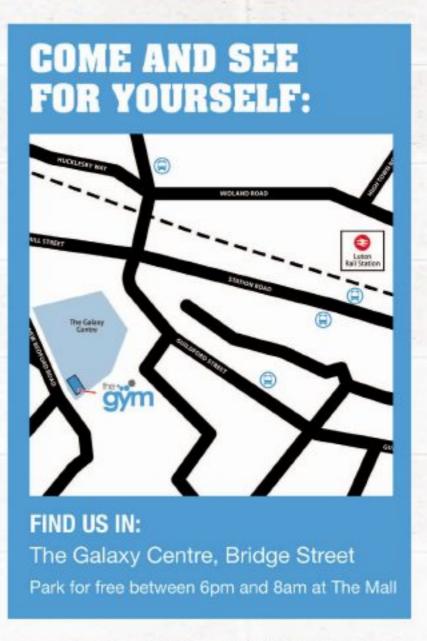
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